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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
9	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
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11	RICHARD MICHAEL SOMERVILLE,	No. 2:21-cv-20	089 DB P
12	Plaintiff,		
13	V.		
14	B. BETTANCOURT, et al.,	<u>ORDER</u>	
15	Defendants.		
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17	Plaintiff, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed a civil rights action pursuant to 42		
18	U.S.C. § 1983, together with a request to proceed in forma pauperis. In his complaint, plaintiff		
19	alleges violations of his civil rights by defendants. The alleged violations took place in Kings		
20	County, which is part of the Fresno Division of the United States District Court for the Eastern		
21	District of California. See Local Rule 120(d).		
22	Pursuant to Local Rule 120(f), a civil action which has not been commenced in the proper		
23	division of a court may, on the court's own motion, be transferred to the proper division of the		
24	court. Therefore, this action will be transferred to the Fresno Division of the court. In light of		
25	1996 amendments to 28 U.S.C. § 1915, this court will not rule on plaintiff's request to proceed in		
26	forma pauperis.		
27	Good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:		
28	1. This court has not ruled on plaintiff's request to proceed in forma pauperis;		

2. This action is transferred to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California sitting in Fresno; and 3. All future filings shall reference the new Fresno case number assigned and shall be filed at: **United States District Court** Eastern District of California 2500 Tulare Street Fresno, CA 93721 Dated: November 29, 2021 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE DLB:9 DB prisoner inbox/civil rights/R/some2089.22